

By *Tommy Shannon*

H.S.R. No. 243

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, It is a great privilege of the Members of the House of Representatives of the 61st Legislature to hold with tradition by again designating a special day to honor the Speaker of the House; and

WHEREAS, In seeking the office he now holds the 64th Texan to be chosen as Speaker of the House of Representatives conducted his campaign from an almost unique position in comparison with the hotly contested races of most of his predecessors: Speaker Gus Mutscher announced his candidacy, solicited support of his fellow members, and was elected without active opposition; and

WHEREAS, This was not the only unprecedented accomplishment of a truly exceptional man, Speaker Mutscher entered the race from a most unlikely post of leadership--chairman of the Committee on Congressional and Legislative Districts, which had the responsibility for reshaping districts to meet population shifts in a process sometimes pitting two or more powerful incumbents against each other; past experience has led to the popular belief that the quickest route to sure death by anyone with political ambitions is to be the chairman of a reapportionment committee; and

WHEREAS, He has served as Conferee on the Conference Committee on Appropriations three times and has also been a member of other major committees; he has been very active in interim study groups and has handled many pieces of legislation which have since become law; and

WHEREAS, The popularity and leadership ability of this young and personable bachelor of 36, who is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Mutscher of Brenham, Texas, have made the current 61st Session of the Texas Legislature one of the most harmonious and productive in history; he is a natural moderator, preserving order and regulating debate with an easy, relaxed manner, a sense of humor, and a solidity that assures fair play; and

WHEREAS, Speaker Mutscher has the full respect and affection of this House and the Members wish to honor their Speaker for his courage, his friendship, and his forceful leadership; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That April 23, 1969, be designated as "Speaker's Day" in honor of the Honorable Gus Mutscher, Speaker of the House of Representatives of the 61st Legislature.

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HOUSE SIMPLE RESOLUTION

in honor of Speaker Gus Mutscher.

DATE APR 1 1969

READ AND ADOPTED

Dorothy Hallman
CHIEF CLERK
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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